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SUBJECT: IDEA CONFERENCE IN THE PHILIPPINES - 1979

- 1. AS YOU ARE AWARE, DELEGATES TO THE 1978 IDEA CONFERENCE IN GUAM ACCEPTED MAJ.GEN. RAMOS'S INVITATION TO HOLD THE 1979 IDEA CONFERENCE IN MANILA.
- 2. FOLLOWING DISCUSSION WITH AMBASSADOR DAVID NEWSOM (CURRENTLY UNDERSECRETARY OF STATE FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS), I WAS SUBSEQUENTLY ADVISED THAT THE STATE DEPARTMENT HAD NO OBJECTION TO HOLDING THE CONFERENCE IN MANILA.
- 3. GENERAL RAMOS AND THE DANGEROUS DRUGS BOARD WANT TO HOLD THE IDEA CONFERENCE IN MANILA FROM MARCH 12 16, 1979, TO COINCIDE WITH THE 7TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CONSTABULARY ANTI-NARCOTICS UNIT (CANU). THEY WOULD APPRECIATE CONFIRMATION OF THIS DATE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, TO GIVE THEM SUFFICIENT TIME FOR CLEARANCES FROM THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS; THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT; AND PLANNING AND FUNDING FOR VARIOUS ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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- 4. IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THE STATE DEPARTMENT NARCOTICS COORDINATORS' CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD IN JANUARY IN KUALA LUMPUR. NORMALLY, A REGION 16 SAIC CONFERENCE IS ALSO HELD IN JANUARY.
- 5. IT IS SUGGESTED THAT THE SOUTH PACIFIC REGIONAL

TRAINING PROGRAM RECENTLY APPROVED BY HQS DEA NATIONAL TRAINING INSTITUTE AND S/NM BE HELD IN FEBRUARY OR JUST AFTER THE IDEA CONFERENCE IN MARCH. THE CONTRAST IN WEATHER IN NEW ZEALAND AFTER APRIL WOULD BE AN EXTREME CHANGE FOR POLICE OFFICERS FROM THE SOUTH PACIFIC ISLANDS.

6. DECONTROL UPON RECEIPT BY DEA ONLY. MURPHY

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